

# DELTA MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, August 10, 2022, Start: 4:30 p.m.

## 1. **Roll Call:**

Present: Greg Gomez, President; Belen Gomez, Secretary; Linda Gutierrez, Larry Roberts, Kevin Caskey, and Rosemary Hellwig

Absent: None

Staff: Dr. Mustapha Debboun, General Manager; Mir Bear-Johnson, Assistant Manager

## 2. **Public Forum:**

None

## 3. **Consent Calendar:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Kevin Caskey, seconded by Belen Gomez, and unanimously approved to accept the consent calendar as presented.

## 4. **Staff Report:**

Dr. Debboun gave an overview of the current field and laboratory operations, specifically discussing the cyclic nature of West Nile virus and issue of the mosquito larvae breeding in corn fields and the extreme hot weather. He also discussed the current staffing of personnel and informed the Board that four members of our staff passed the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) aircraft pilot certification exam and Drone applications will begin soon. Board members were encouraged to relate the dates and times of events that the District attends in a community education and outreach capacity.

## 5. **Board of Trustees and General Manager Award of Appreciation:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Larry Roberts, seconded by Rosemary Hellwig, and unanimously approved to establish a new quarterly certificate of recognition given to the recipient of the award that is signed by the Board of Trustees and General Manager

and a perpetual plaque noting the name and quarter of the award recipients posted in the District.

**6. 2022-2023 Fiscal Budget Amended**

Following discussion, it was moved by Belen Gomez, seconded by Larry Roberts and the Board members unanimously approved the amended 2022/2023 budget as presented.

**7. 100-Year Anniversary Celebration Update:**

Dr. Debboun updated the Board about the planning and preparation for the upcoming 100-Year Anniversary and Celebration of Delta Mosquito and Vector Control District (DMVCD) that is scheduled on October 8, 2022 at the District from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

**8. Work From Home Policy Update:**

Following discussion, it was moved by Rosemary Hellwig, seconded by Belen Gomez and the Board members unanimously approved the updated Work From Home Policy.

**9. Board Member Comments:**

Dr. Debboun informed the Board that Michael Cavanagh resigned from the DMVCD's Board of Trustees effective July 26, 2022. The Board members also discussed options on how they can be contacted on the DMVCD website.

**10. Future Agenda Items:**

There were no future agenda items brought up.

**11. Adjournment:**

It was moved by Larry Roberts, seconded by Belen Gomez, and the Board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting of the DMVCD's Board of Trustees at 5:33 p.m.

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Dr. Mustapha Debboun, Recording Secretary